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Sir:

In response to the Office Action (hereinafter "the Action") dated November 2, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.